

ABSTRACT

A food supplement and process for feeding a companion animal such as a dog or cat a diet containing an effective amount of lutein to enhance immune response and improve the overall health of the animal is provided. Preferably, the diet includes from about 1 to about 50 mg/day of lutein (from about 2 to about 315 mg lutein/kg diet). Such a diet provides sufficient lutein to be absorbed by the animal and supplied by the blood and blood leukocytes and neutrophils in the animal.

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